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RE: **NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE dated January 30, 2004**
*U.S. Patent Application No. 08/888,233 entitled "ASSAY FOR TOXIN INDUCED
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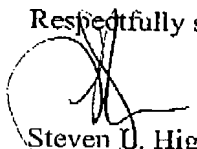
Dear Examiner Paras:

The Notice of Allowability states that the Declaration is defective because David Miller did not sign.

For your convenience we have enclosed a copy of the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts that was filed with the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on November 6, 2001, which includes copies of the Declarations. One of the Declarations included was executed by David Miller. Also enclosed is a copy of PTO stamped postcard indicating the each of the documents submitted.

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Respectfully submitted,


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